## **TENDER WORDS EXPRESS LOVE** FOR PARRAINS

Little Mascots Adopted by American Units Show Their Thanks

#### HENRIETTE, YVETTE AND RE

Kisses for "Dear Sirs" Who Have Aided France Through War Orphan Plan

MISS AERO COLUMBIA WRITES

Robert Says He Looks Stupid in His Picture, But His Letter Proves He Isn't

The hundred and more units of the A.E.F. which have each invested in the happiness and well being of a little French child are already receiving the first dividends on those investments. Rich dividends they are which come in the form of children's betters and you can bet your bottom franct hat some of those letters will be on file with the most precious resords of the company when Johnny goes marching home. For THE STAIS AND STRIPES Orphams are sending in their thanks and already many a new bosser has been solemnly and formally convered by mail to the vastly pleased purrouns of the A.E.F. Sometimes a little girl is able to write herself and alls a grateful letter with prattle of trees and dolls and dark memories of the day when the Huns came and one of them kicked her doll's cradle into the getter. Sometimes a mother guides the truy hand through the tremensians undertaking.

tree, and when they were account age I used to hide myself, for I was very anch frightened.

Then we were taken to the Caserne Motor at Nany, where charitable ladies came to see us very often in school. I and had a doll, but mether left if at Naney, and when I see my friends playing with theirs. I can't help crying, because I wish I bed one, too, but my mother is quite musible to buy me one owing lo the high cost of living. We need shows, too, often and they are very extensive and my mother is all alone even to work, but for tunnelly these are kind people who help has in order to give them our bog thanks and a hearty handslake.

YMETTI GRODDIER.

#### "The Germans Killed Him'

To Supply Co., Q.M.C., No.

any more.

I am still too small to understand what life is. I have lived 11 morths in Pontea-Mousson moder the boundardments, in the collars, and I endured many pains but today I am safe and sound and I like playing with my wooden horse.

That is all I can tell you dear sirs, I do not go to school for the present, being not entire well.

of quite well,
"I end my letter with a great big kiss,
Anoma Luctuer.

#### Henriette Can Sing. Though

marks; but she will have show to make marks; but she only knows how to make marks; but she only knows how to make marks; but she may be the market of the she market who will send you news and who will make you acquainted with Henriche's dispositions, qualities and defects.

I must say how glad I was to hear that a company of American soldiers was adopting my daughter. As those soldiers have come to avenge her father. I feel that they will bring good lock to her.

My mother was an American lady, and I think the little one has something of her blood in her veins. I shall send you soon a photograph, but, meanwhile. I shall just describe her:

Henrich evens, a fall little tarmed-and white evens, a fall little tarmed-and white skin. Like all mothers. I think and white skin. Like all mothers. I think my daughter is pretty. She is a high-spirited girl, and laughs and cries with all her heart. Although very young, she is already a little woman as regards finery; she likes ribhons, laces and silks; she is curious and a little chatterbox; but, if she has the defects of her sex, she has also the qualities going with it.

She has a little brother, one year young, in a word, she is quite defect of his sex; he is despotic and selfish. Well, Henricht what is the best of the reservable covers her mother, her father, who is in heaven; he brother, and little gess.

What she likes best are the little animals. Some rime ago she wanted me to buy her a little "for" to play with, and whe keeps' inhinking about it still. When she goes to her grandmother's in the coun-

#### SHE SENDS A "GROS BAISER"

Moes : There Parrouns, Je suis une toute petite Elle que ne soit pos service mais je voua tout de même vous dire un gros Recevez tous de votre. petite fillente son gros boiser Une petite Française Marie \_ Louise

Marie-Louise Patriarche, three and one-half years old, the first orphan adopted under this paper's plan and taken by this paper's staff, doesn't know how to write. She says so herself- over her own signature.

The secret is this, Marie-Louise's mother guided Marie-Louise's hand. But the sentiments are Marie-Louise's, If you have just come over, and can't even understand the kind of French a little girl of less than four speaks, here is a translation of Marie-Louise's letter:

"My dear parriins:
"I am quite a little girl who does not know how to write, but just the same I want to say a big "Thank-you."

"Here is a great big kiss for all of you from your little pileate.
"A little French girl,
"Marie-Louise: Patriarche."

"She would win Your Heart"

To Lieutenant Howard Conklin:
My little Marie-Thérèse being ton small to write herself, being only 14 menths old. I take her place to let you know that she is a cunning baby, never keeping still, very in-digent for her years, always sweet-tempeted, and searedy ever crying. Pridapart, I may say that she is admirted by everybody who sees her. You will have seen from her photo that she is very healthy. She has fine features, thick, fair hair, and large blue eyes. If you could see her, I am sure that she would win your heart.

is in heaven, her brother and little Jesus."

So the letters run. Here are just a few of them:

She Remembers the Hun

To Company L. —— Inf.:

It is a young orphan who is writing you in answer to your kind letter. So, you are interested in my welf-in? I san a little girl of siv years old. I go to school and learn my beson very well, and my reaches.

I best our home in November 1914, the young reaches are the second with the stree, and when they went through the villege I used to kide myself, for I was very much frinhered.

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#### Germaine's Sweetest Kiss

nic.
I send you the sweetest kiss from you little Girmaine Durity.
With a pretty flower for you.

Fo the —— Telegraph But:
You will be wondering who is writing to you. It is a little girl from the Somm

#### WEARS TWO CROSSES



Chaplain John B. Desvalles, of the 104th Infantry, as previously aunounced, won the Croix de Guerre for "extraordinary heroism and devotion to his duty. Under uninterrupted fire of the enemy, at the constant risk of his life, he never ceased from aiding the wounded and encouraging the men weakened by hard fighting."

is changed, with my possession iill.

I heartily thank you for wishing to help us. I am now living at Bernay with Mother, who is obliged to work for our living, as she only has the military allocation and no other assistance. I am going to school, but when I come back it is very lard to see Mother crying. If God could only reassure her for daddy's life!

I coul my latter, dear Sirs, with my

I send my letter, dear Sirs, with my most grateful thanks for your kindness, and phease accept the affectionate greetings of a little French girl. Granger little

#### Just a Little French Girl

come a farmer when I am grown.
I thank you again a thousand times and
wery grateful to you.
Your little god-daughter, who would
so much like to know you and wishes
to you all good luck and hopes to
receive news from you.

GERMATER SCHWAR.

#### From Miss Aero Columbia

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Fo the — Aero Squadron:

1 reply to your letter which gave me great pleasure. I shall be so glad to have a new father, who will gladdon the heart of a little French boy and a little French girl. It is four years now since we were deprived of the caresses of our dear daddy, who has disappeared. How glad I should be to see him again! And how I should like to comfort only garmened which is notice to give use and the meessary food and clothing.

We are now fiving at the barraeks and late school in the refectory, and we play in the court under the supervision of our gasters, the same thing as at the Sasene Midtor in Naucy.

My dear list, I end my letter which, I hope, will give your pleasure. With my best thanks, I am great Alba Cut. Mid.

the name her parrains have bestowed on her.)

#### Doesn't Like His Picture

o Lieutenaut E. L. Wheless:
I hear to-day that I have American
jonds! How glad I am! Although I do
t know you. I should like to know at
nee what are your mames and where you
e, I wonder you selected me because
e photo sent you was very bad and I look

know 'I quite well in order to be able to speak.

I am pretty good at drawing and am always making sketches during my spare time. During the Penteeost holidays I intend making sketches for you, as I shall have time to do it then.

I shall make my fill Communion on May 10 at Janson de Salik. We shall he alone on the state of the Salik was short to the state of the shall be alone on the state of the Noyou and loss been evacuated in different parts of France. We shall sing hymns on my first Communion day: I am proud of it and like very much singing with my schoolfellows.

I have a brother called Pierre. He is 12 years old and very good at gynnastics; he stands up for me when a bigger boy wans to strike me. I cannot live without him and am very unlampy when he is away. I have also a sister who is 15 years old unless called Rence.

### THOSE Q.M. FELLOWS CAN GET ANYTHING

Even When Mice Eat Up the Stock, They Can Find a Remedy

Troubles never troubled the mess sergent at the -- Army schools as long as they came singly and in pairs. He was used to them. It was not until they got to coming by hattalions and regiments that he worried—furry bright cyed, audacious little troubles that performed nocturnal manoeuvres in the sergeant's store room and concluded with a banquer which was enjoyed by all concerned except the sergeant. "Mice?" said the sergeant. "They may look like mice, but they cat like goats. One night they ate four cans of apples, thus and all. And syrup—they open it can after can and drink it."

Every time the sergeant pianned a luscious stum à ta guerre he found the carrols or some other necessary ingredient gone and he never could serve turkey properly because the chestnuts for the dressing always were consumed. He tried traps and poison. The mice ignored the former and thrived on the latter. "Only one thing to do," said the ser-

ignored the former and thirtee of the latter.
"Only one thing to do." said the sergeant as he made out his semi-monthly ration return for the quartermaster. The ration return read, in part as follows:

#### LORRAINE LIMERICKS

There was a young fellow from Total Who trained his mustache on a spool; It kept out of his way When he drank his calc. But it made him look more of a fool.

There was a young man of Scicheprey Who slept without sifting the hay; He got quite a batch Of young cooties—and scratch? He's at it all night and all day!

There was a poor gink from Bordeaux The little specked cubes he would throw His captain espied him, And summary tried him, And now to the brig he must go:

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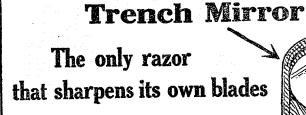
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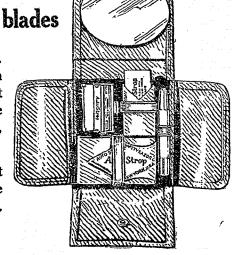
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